H. RES. 548

Congratulating Lance Armstrong for winning the 2002 Tour de France.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

September 24, 2002

Mr. Blumenauer (for himself, Mr. Shays, Mrs. Myrick, Mr. Doggett, Ms. Kilpatrick, Mr. Holt, Mrs. Tauscher, Mr. Moran of Virginia, Mr. Bentsen, Mr. Wamp, Ms. Delauro, Mrs. Johnson of Connecticut, Ms. Pryce of Ohio, Mr. Wicker, Mr. McNulty, Mr. Frost, Mr. Etheridge, Mr. Oberstar, Mr. Waxman, Ms. Brown of Florida, Mr. Hoyer, Ms. Lee, Mr. Tancredo, Mr. Sweeney, and Mr. George Miller of California) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform

RESOLUTION

Congratulating Lance Armstrong for winning the 2002 Tour de France.

Whereas Lance Armstrong won the 2002 Tour de France, completing the 2,036-mile, 20-day course in 82 hours, 5 minutes, and 12 seconds, finishing 7 minutes and 17 seconds ahead of his nearest competitor;

Whereas Lance Armstrong's win on July 28, 2002, in Paris, marks his 4th successive victory of the Tour de France, a feat surpassing all cycling records previously attained by a United States cyclist;

- Whereas Lance Armstrong displayed incredible perseverance, determination, and leadership to prevail over the mountainous terrain of the Alps and Pyrenees, vast stretches of countryside, and numerous city streets during the course of the premier cycling event in the world;
- Whereas Lance Armstrong is the first cancer survivor to win the Tour de France;
- Whereas in 1997, Lance Armstrong defeated choriocarcinoma, an aggressive form of testicular cancer that had spread throughout his abdomen, lungs, and brain, and after treatment has remained cancer-free for the past 5 years;
- Whereas Lance Armstrong's bravery and resolution to overcome cancer has made him a role model to cancer patients and their loved ones, and his efforts through the Lance Armstrong Foundation have helped to advance cancer research, diagnosis, treatment, and after-treatment services;
- Whereas Lance Armstrong has been vital to the promotion of cycling as a sport, a healthy fitness activity, and a pollution-free transportation alternative; and
- Whereas Lance Armstrong's accomplishments as an athlete, teammate, father, husband, cancer survivor, and advocate have made him an American hero: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 Resolved, That the House of Representatives—
- 2 (1) congratulates Lance Armstrong and his
- 3 team on his historic victory in the 2002 Tour de
- 4 France;

1	(2) commends the unwavering commitment to
2	cancer awareness and survivorship demonstrated by
3	Lance Armstrong; and
4	(3) directs the Clerk of the House of Represent-
5	atives to transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution
6	to Lance Armstrong.

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